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Local News From Your Conservative Action Team in Oatlands Ward

March 2011

Barry Cheyne to Re-stand

As I sit down to write this, I have had the honour of being Mayor of the Borough for the last nine months. During that time the Mayoress and I have built up a store of fantastic memories of all the wonderful people and organisation that we have had the pleasure of meeting during that time.

It would be impossible to list here the numerous events we have attended representing Elmbridge both inside and outside the Borough be they in palaces, church halls or scout huts but one thing we do know is that those events have been very special to us and I know have been very special to the people and organisations we have had the pleasure of meeting.

One thing that has struck us time and time again is the very special place that the voluntary and charity sectors hold in our Borough. Without their dedication many of the services and much of the support that we are able to give to the more vulnerable sections of our community would cease to exist especially in these financially difficult times.



Our efforts on behalf of my chosen charity, Parkinson UK, are continuing to generate support from organisations and individuals across the Borough and I am also most grateful to the officers of the charity for their tremendous efforts and assistance in supporting our charity appeal.

During the last nine months I have been able to visit a number of schools across the Borough and also had the great pleasure of welcoming a group of students from Kosovo to the Council Chamber where I was able to give them a brief history of Elmbridge and discuss with them the different forms of local government that exist in our two countries.

My term of office as Mayor will come to an end in May and I know that I will look back on the last year with a mixture of both pride and gratitude. Pride that I was able to represent this wonderful Borough of Elmbridge and gratitude that I was given the opportunity of doing so by my fellow councillors. After May I hope that the people of Oatlands will give me the opportunity of serving them for a further term as their ward councillor armed with the knowledge and experiences gained during my mayoral year.

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4 Woodland Grove

2 houses were refused by the planning committee in September last year, on the grounds of too much build frontage, insufficient space between the buildings and the consequent effect on the street scene. The developer was extremely aggrieved and appealed, demanding both a public hearing and costs from the Council. In February the Planning Inspector decided firmly in favour of the Council rejecting all the developer's arguments and the claim for costs.

A reduced scheme that met the concerns of Oatlands Councillors, reduced building width and more of a concession to the prevailing street scene, was permitted in January.

The Hall, Vale Rd

The site of the old Glassworks building at the end of Vale rd has an illegally built block of 4 flats. Oatlands Councillors and the enforcement team at Elmbridge Council had spent much time and effort in attempting to resolve, and legalise, the situation here but so far to no avail. Legal proceedings are pending and the next court date is June.

In February an application for 4 flats, in a new building, was permitted as it did not contravene any planning policies or guidelines and thus could not be refused. The existing building will need to be largely demolished if the new one is to be built. This is in no way weakens the resolve of your local Councillors or the enforcement team to make sure the applicant/owner is dealt with to the full extent of the law.

2 Oatlands Avenue – Water booster station

The site is on the railway side adjacent to the last house before the Queens rd bridge. It would have connected with the water main which run beneath Queens rd and was planned to alleviate issues with water pressure for residents of St. George's Hill. However it could have led to reduced water pressure in for Oatlands residents and would have produced an unsightly, industrial type building at the entrance to Oatlands Ave. The planning subcommittee, lead by Oatlands Councillors, refused permission for the water company to build their water booster station.

Oatlands Infant School

3 new classrooms, in a 2 storey building, are planned to open in September as the school expands to a 3 form entry. The new classrooms will be towards the rear of the site behind the school hall and will mean the school no longer needs to use the temporary classroom that is currently at the back of playground.



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Libraries

Surrey's library service is being reviewed to reflect the changing ways people use libraries today. The plan would give community groups the chance to take over the day-to-day running of some of Surrey's smaller libraries and allow the council to focus its resources on the busier ones and on the hugely popular virtual library, which is the fourth biggest in the county. A Spring consultation is proposed during which community groups could express an interest in running 11 of the county's least used libraries, allowing them to make decisions and encouraging localism.

Highways

Surrey has taken swift action to repair over 3,500 potholes so far this year on over 3,000 miles of roads after the atrocious weather conditions. A total of 18 highway crews are out on our roads every day making sure that repairs are carried out as quickly and efficiently as possible. A further 8 crews are out repairing larger sections of road that have been damaged in the winter snow and rain.

Healthcare

Surrey is leading the way in its piloting plans to hand responsibility and power back to councils. The bill to reform the NHS paves the way for primary health trusts and strategic health authorities to be phased out by 2013. Surrey will set up a new health and wellbeing board by May to promote greater local control over health and join up social care, NHS services and health improvement. The County Council will also prepare to take responsibility for improving public health and will help to set local priorities and support GP's commissioning.

Preparation Ensures County Council Tax Freeze

Thorough preparation going back over 18 months has led to significant savings and allows SCC ruling Conservative Group the opportunity to offer residents the first freeze in council tax in the County's history, without diverting funds from key frontline services. This despite confirmation at the end of 2010 that the council was to have a staggering £25.5M cut from its central government grants for the coming financial year, and another £11M in the following. However, due to foresight and preparation, the Council is in a position to actually *increase* spending on priority areas such as the roads and public highways, where an extra £12M has been pledged, whilst a further £5M has been found for children's services.

Walton Bridge

Preliminary work has at last commenced on this new link over the Thames between Walton and Shepperton. Good transport links are vital to economic growth in Surrey and this £32M bridge should prove an invaluable investment in the prosperity of our County in the future. The bridge should be completed in 2013.



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